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Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, Feb. 12.

Dublin, Feb. 1. THey write from Kiluring, that one Mr. Steill a Gauger, ſome Days ago ſeiz'd a Quantity of Tobacco; and the Night after there came about 15 Men armed, fired into his Houſe, and broke open the Doors with an Iron Crow, upon which the Gager's Wife was obliged to turn out the Tobacco to them, but being weak, and not putting out ſo quick as they expected, one of the Villains fired his Gun, loaded with large Shot in her Face, by which ſhe received nine Wounds, in her Forehead, and the Sight of both her Eyes are deſpaired off, and even her Life. One of the King's Soldiers who aſſiſted in making the Seizure, was almoſt beat to Death, being cut and hacked in a moſt cruel Manner; the Actors in thoſe Barbarities, go armed in Defiance of the Laws of the Nation. On Thurſday laſt the Parliament adjourned to the 17th Inſt. by Reaſon of the Bills, which were tranſmitted to Great Britain, are not yet returned back. 'Tis thought ſome Grand Reſolutions will be taken next Week, in Relation to the Treaty of Peace and Commerce, concluded between the Emperor and King of Spain, concerning which, Accounts daily come out by Order of the Government, ſhewing how very prejudicial that Commerce is to the Rights and Privileges of the Subjects of Great Britain, as well as thoſe of the States General.

According to ſome Advices from Honduras, a Galley with two large Boats, filled with Spaniards, had taken ſeveral ſmall Veſſels on that Coaſt, belonging to the Engliſh, and murdered their People, but of this we ſuſpend our Belief till there is a Confirmation.

The Equipment of our Fleet goes on with good Succeſs, and divers Tranſports are taken up in the River, to be made uſe of upon Occaſion.

Yeſterday the Commons in a Grand Committee on Ways and Means, for raiſing the Supply, reſolved, That a Sum of one Million be raiſed by Way of Lottery, to be charged on the Moneys ariſing by the Reductions of 6 per Cent. out of the Places, Offices, and Penſions, purſuant to an Act of the 7th and 11th of his Majeſty's Reign.

'Tis ſaid one Million to be attended with Annuities, after the Rate of one per Cent. redeemable on Repayment of the principal Sum, contributed for the ſaid Lottery, and reſolved to proceed further on Ways and Means next Wedneſday.

Read a Petition of the Gentlemen of the County of Leiceſter, praying for a Bill to repair the Roads from Harborough to Longbrough; alſo a Petition from Berkſhire, praying for a Bill to repair the Roads from Specham Land to Malbury, and referred each to a Committee; and this Day the Commons read a Petition from Lancaſhire, praying for a Bill to repair the Roads from Liverpool to Prenot, and referred it to a Committee, and in a Committee went thro' the Bill for puniſhing Mutiny and Deſertion.

This being the laſt of the Term, the 8 Weavers of Alſton in Hampſhire, convicted of a Combination to raiſe their Wages, were brought to the Bar; but inſtead of receiving Judgement, were ordered, by Agreement with the Perſecutor, to pay him his Coaſts, and 8 L. and to give Security for their good Behaviour for the future.

Laſt Thurſday Night no leſs than five Robberies were committed in St. James's Street, on Perſons coming from the Maſquerade, which ſort of Diverſion, was thought ſometime ago would have ceaſed or at leaſt not to have met with any great Encouragement.

We hear the Bank make their Payments in Silver, altho' no more reſort thither to take out their Money than at all Times is uſual: But a Notion is entertain'd among ſome People, as if there was a Deſign of raiſing the Price of Guineas.

The Earl of Peterburrow who is judged to be near 80 Years of Age, ſet out again Yeſterday on his Travels to foreign Parts.

S Stock 110. per Cent.

The Rev. Dr. Lupton, has deſired the Pariſhioners of St. Dunſtan's to provide another againſt Lady-day, he being by the honourable Society of the Middle-Temple, appointed their Afternoon-preacher.

From

From the Whitehall Evening-Poſt, Feb. 12.

London, Feb. 12. York Buildings, Febr. 11. This Day was held a General Court of the York Buildings Company; when, after reading the Minutes of the laſt Court, the Governor made a Speech to the Proprietors, acquainting them, That their Directors had uſed their beſt Endeavours to ſupply the current Expences for advancing their Water-works, and other unavoidable Demands; That the exceſſive Rains and Froſt had retarded the completing their Fire-engines; That it was abſolutely neceſſary there ſhould be a Call of 4 l. per Cent. and 4 l. per Cent. more in a ſhort Time. Whereupon the Court agreed on 4 l. per Cent. to be paid the 2d of March.

Mr. Thomas Enguien then obſerved to the Court, That the beſt Method for ſupplying the Company's future Neceſſities, was to recover ſeveral large Sums of Money, which had been fraudulently ſecreted; That amongſt many notorious Abuſes, he would now inſtance one, *viz.* That a Stratagem having been laid, to take the Blanks of the firſt Lottery in Payment for Tickets in the ſecond Lottery, at 50 ſh each, not only all the Blanks that had any Right, but (by a kind of Miracle) above 2000 more were taken in at the ſame Rate, by which the Company are Sufferers above 5000 L. That the Proprietors might ſecurely confide in the Gentlemen now in the Direction, and deſired the Enquiry might be referred to them; whereupon the Governour, and ſeveral Gentlemen in the Direction, aſſured the Court, that they (the Directors) would uſe their utmoſt Endeavours to detect this and all other Frauds, and give Mr. Enguien all the Aſſiſtance in their Power. Upon which it was reſolved, *nemine contradicente*, That it be recommended to the Court of Aſſiſtants to examine ſtrictly into that and all other Frauds; and that Mr. Enguien be deſired to aſſiſt them therein. And the Proceedings are to be laid before the next General Court.

There is to be this Year a State Lottery for one Million Sterling.

From the London Gazette, Feb. 11.

Madrid, Feb. 28. Don Domingo Guerra, Abbot of St. Ildefonſo, and Father Confeſſor of the Queen of Spain, has been honoured with the Title of Archbiſhop *in partibus infidelium*; and 'tis not doubted but he will be declared Cardinal in the next Promotion the Pope ſhall make. On the 16th Inſt. a Decree of his Catholick Majeſty was read in the Council of Finances, ordering, That the Spaniſh Piſtoles ſhould be raiſed from 32 Reals of Plate to 36. On the 18th Count Coningſeck, the Emperor's Ambaſſador, went for the firſt Time to the Pardo, and had an Audience of their Catholic Majeſties: He dined with the Duke de Riperda, and in the Evening returned to Count Aguilar's Country-houſe. A Houſe has been taken here for the Infant Don Manuel of Portugal, who is expected in a few Days from Vienna. The Marquis de Balbaſes a Grandee of Spain, is appointed His Catholic Majeſty's Ambaſſador Extraordinary to the Court of Portugal, in the Room of the Duke de Bannos, who has excuſed himſelf. His Catholic Majeſty has given Orders, that 300 Horſe-guards, which were ſent laſt Summer to Catalonia, ſhall return to Madrid.

From the St. James's Evening Poſt, Feb. 12.

Vienna, Feb. 2. Count Wratiſlaw, the Emperor's Ambaſſador at Warſaw, writes, That the King of Poland and himſelf had uſed their outmoſt Endeavours to perſwade the Republick to an amicable Accommodation of the Affair of Thorn, either in the *Senatus Conſilium*, or in the Grand Diet; whereupon the Senators applied themſelves to the Count deſiring to know what they might depend upon, and he adviſed them to wait the Meeting of the *Senatus Conſilium*, after which he would certainly enter into effectual Meaſures with them.

Rome, Jan. 26. The Princeſs Piombino continues to make frequent Viſits to the Princeſs Sobieski in the Nunnery of St. Cecilia; whence ſhe inſtantly goes to the Palace of the Chevalier de St. George, to give him an Account of their Converſation: And in regard Father Thomas Cloſci, one of the Chevalier's Confidents, and the Pope's Confeſſor, have been known to repair of late to the ſaid Nunnery, where they had long Conferences with the Princeſs Sobieski, 'tis probable the Reconciliation, which the Pope is under-hand labouring to effectuate, will at length prevail. But ſhould the contrary happen, the Chevalier has ſome Thoughts of retiring to Lucca; the Republick of Venice not thinking his Reſidence in their Capital convenient at this Juncture.

From the Daily Courant, Feb. 12.

Petersburg, Jan. 15. The Academy of Sciences continue their Conferences with great Succeſs. A Ruſſian Artiſt, who has never been abroad, has preſented ſaid Academy with Celeſtial and Terreſtrial Globes of his own making, which have been much admired; whereupon the Empreſs has granted him a very honourable Privilege. On the other Hand, thoſe that apply themſelves to Natural Philoſophy, find in this Country ample Matter for their Inquiries;

ries: They have already made a fine Collection of theſe Curioſities, and others which the Caſpian Sea does produce; and the K. of Poland having heard of them, has deſired our Empreſs to ſend him of the ſame, to put in his Cabinet at Dreſden. A certain Quantity of Gold Sand has alſo been brought hither of late from China, which is very heavy, and conſequently rich.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, Febr. 15.

Since our laſt arrived 2 *Mails from Holland.*

THE Treaty of Hanover, which with ſo great Juſtice is judged to be purely defenſive, and injurious to none, has ſeveral Reflections caſt upon it by the Imperial Court; particularly, That a formal Offenſive and Defenſive Alliance has been concluded, againſt the Emperor and the Roman Empire, contrary to all the Oaths, and the Duty of a Member of the Empire; and therefore, cannot paſs without great Diſturbance in the Empire, and without the Danger, Damage and Oppreſſing of all the Rights and Juſtice belonging to the States thereof: So that nothing remains to be done, but to oppoſe, like Patriots, the ſaid Treaty of Hanover, and not to accede to it, and to the other dangerous and precipitate Views concealed therein, contrary to thoſe ſolemn Oaths of Fidelity, which the Kings of England and Pruſſia, as Electors and Princes of the Empire, ſwore, openly and with a loud Voice, before the Imperial Throne, and in Preſence of the All-knowing and Almighty GOD, to his Imperial Majeſty and the Holy Roman Empire, at their Inveſtiture. Among the reſt, they mention, That in the 2d Article of the ſaid Treaty it is ſtipulated, That in caſe the Empire ſhould, out of Hatred to the ſaid Treaty of Hanover, declare War againſt the Crown of France, neither Brandenburg nor Brunſwick would then furniſh the Contingent they ought to ſend to the Empire; but on the contrary, would do every Thing in Conjunction with France, till Peace ſhould be reſtored. Which diſſolves the whole Bond of the Empire, and rejects all Dependence and Obedience with reſpect to His Imperial Majeſty and the Empire.

But the Court of Vienna will ſoon be acquainted with the Sentiments of the Britiſh Parliament, concerning the above Treaty; and on the other Hand that concluded between the Emperor and King of Spain, particularly the Commerce of the Oſtend Company to the Indies.

We are told from Turin, That the King of Sardinia acts with that Caution and Policy, as not to determine which of the Treaties he will enter into, till he firſt know the Reſolutions that ſhall be taken thereupon by the Parliament of Great Britain.

Haverford-Weſt, Feb. 8. This Morning came on our Election for a Member of Parliament, in the Room of Francis Edwards, Eſq; deceaſed, when Eraſmus Philips, Eſq; was choſen by the unanimous Conſent of all the Electors, notwithſtanding any Oppoſition deſigned by Thomas Cornwallis, Eſq; Uncle to the Lord Cornwallis. What was moſt remarkable in this Election is, That the Mayor and Common Council were unanimous to a Man; and all the incorporated Bodies waited on the Mayor and Sheriff to the Court in their Formalities.

Yeſterday the Commons ordered the Call of the Houſe to be adjourned, to this Day Fortnight. And this Day they ordered the Commiſſioners of the Victualling, Navy, Salt-Duties, and Stamp-Duties, to lay before the Houſe Copies of the Warrants, Orders and Directions given them for deducting 6 d. in the Pound out of all Salaries and Fies, and all other Payments made to them, purſuant to an Act of the 7th of his Majeſty's Reign.

Read a 2d Time the Bill for raiſing a Million by Way of Lottery; the Tickets whereof are already 10 L. 15 ſh.

We do not know that any Methods are yet taken, that would effectually prevent the pernicious Practice of the Stockjobbers.

The Tinners in and about Falmouth, lately met in great Numbers to prevent the Exportation of Corn, and that at Truro, they ſeized and carryed off, above 300 Buſhels, the Owner being forced to fly, they threatning his Life, and to pull down his Houſe.

The King's Anſwer to the Addreſſes preſented this Week from Scotland, is in Subſtance, "That "his Majeſty is greatly ſurpriſed to find, that the "Endeavours of diſſaffected Men had been able to "raiſe ſuch Tumults, upon the Execution of an "Act of of Parliament, for raiſing a Duty.

From the St. James's Evening-Poſt, Feb. 15.

Hague, Feb. 23. They write from Turin, That the King of Sardinia waits for the Reſolutions of the Parliament of Great Britain, and the Republick of Holland, before he will determine which of the two Treaties to accede to.

They write from Munich, that Mr. John Law, who is ſtill there, has offered five Millions to the Elector of Bavaria, for Leave to ſet up a Sort of Bank

in that Elector's Dominions.

'Tis the general Opinion at Paris, upon the News of the States of Holland's Acceſſion to the Treaty of Hanover, that there will be no War.

Letters from Rome ſay, That Cardinal Alberoni has had a long Audience of the Pope, upon the Difference between the Pretender and his Lady; which is ſaid to be in a fair Way of Accommodation.

Five of the Oſtend Company's Ships, bound for the Indies, ſailed thence the 15th laſt, with 700 Men on board.

Edinburgh, Feb. 21. On Friday laſt, the Rt. Honourable the Lord Provoſt of this City went hence for London.

N. B. We find, upon Examination, that the Story from Edinburgh in *Miſt's Weekly Journal*, dated the 12th Inſtant, which was too inconſiderately inſerted in our laſt, is groſly falſe, and a ſcandalous Calumny.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶*¶ That there is a fine Houſe of Three Storeys high, each Storey conſiſting of four Fire-rooms with Cloſets, all well furniſhed, beſides the Garrets comciel'd, whereof three are Fire-rooms, making in all Fifteen Fire-rooms; with a Garden, Bowling green, and ſeveral other Conveniencies adjacent thereto, all lying at the Potter-row Port, with 4 Acres of arable Land: To be Sett, either in Whole or in Parts. The Entry to be immediately, or at Whitſunday. Enquire at the Author of this Paper, or at the Laigh Coffee-houſe, about the Conditions.

¶†¶ There is a convenient LODGING well finiſh'd and furniſhed, with a pleaſant Garden, Dovecot, Coach-houſe, Stables and Hay-loft, lying in the South-end of Reſtalrig: To be Sett; and the Entry to be at Whitſunday next. Enquire at the Author of this Paper.

¶¶¶ *That according to 'Adjournment, the Lands and Baronies of* LOUNAN, ÆTHIE *and* NORTHTARRIE, *are to be expoſed to Roup and Sale* on Tueſday the Twenty-ſecond of Februar inſt. *at three of the Clock in the Afternoon, in the Houſe of Alexander Stuart Vintner in Edinburgh, either ſeparately or altogether, as ſhall be determined at the Time of the Sale; and whereof the free Rent is as follows, viz. Of the Lands and Barony of* Lounan, 3 *Firlots, one Peck Wheat*; 77 *Bolls*, 1 *Firlot*, 2 *Pecks Bear*; 172 *Bolls Meal*; 633 *L.* 6 *ſh.* 8 *d. Scots of Money Rent*; 24 *Capons*; *beſide* 156 *Poultry, not valued in the Rental. Of the Lands and Barony of* Æthie, 3 *Bolls Wheat*, 86 *Bolls Bear*, 119 *Bolls*, 2 *Firlots Meal*; 519 *L.* 13 *ſh.* 4 *d. Scots of Money Rent* 9 *Wedders* 21 *Capons*, 75 *Ells of Linen Cloath, beſides* 99 *Poultry, not valued in the Rental, And of the Lands and Barony of* North-arrie, 172 *Bolls*, 1 *Peck* 2 *Lippies Bear*, 69 *Bolls*, 2 *Firlots Meal*; 222 *L.* 5 *ſh.* 4 *d Scots of Money rent*, 16 *Capons*, 9 *Ells of Linen cloth, beſide* 15 *Poultrey not valued in the Rental. All the ſaids Lands, holding Blanch of the Crown, and lying upon the Sea-coaſt, near and about the Burgh of Aberbrothock; and the particular Rentals, Conditions of Sale, and Progreſs of the Writs, are to be ſeen in the Hands of William Mercer Writer in Edinburgh.*

†¶† These are to advertiſe, That whereas the Honourable Society *for Improving in the Knowledge of Agriculture*, at Meeting on the 17th of December laſt, having taken to their Conſideration, That great Quantities of Foreign Linen are imported, to the great Prejudice of the Linen manufactured in Britain; and that, if there were due Encouragement, there is and may be Linen of the fineſt, and all other Kinds, manufactured and ſtamped in ſuch Quantities, as that the ſame may fully ſatisfie the domeſtic Conſumpt: Did therefore reſolve, That from and after the ſaid 17th of December, they would give all due Encouragement to the ſole Wearing and Uſing of the Manufacture aforeſaid; and that from and after the firſt Day of Auguſt next, they would not buy, for their Perſon or domeſtic Uſe, any Foreign plain, ſtampt or ſtained Linen. And this being chiefly deſigned for the Encouragement of thoſe who are daily employed in that Manufactory, 'twas expected, that they would forthwith ſet about the Making and Whitening of Holland and Linen, to the greateſt Perfection they are capable; for which they might expect ready Sale, if ſufficient and at reaſonable Rates. As alſo, it was then recommended to the Members of the *Society*, in their ſeveral Diſtricts to uſe their Endeavours, and to ſolicite the Authority of others, to ſuppreſs the Running of Foreign Spirits, whereby the Revenue is defrauded, and the ſaid Spirits ſold below the Values at which our Home-Spirits can be afforded: And that they would promote and encourage the Uſe of our Domeſtic Spirits, which would tend to the Conſumption of, and putting a greater Value upon our own Grain and other Vegetables.

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